



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT:	Rohrbach et al.	)	
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SERIAL NO.:	09/867,973	)	ART UNIT
		)	1723
FILED:	May 30, 2001	)	
		)	EXAMINER:
		)	CINTINS, IVARS C.
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FOR:	STAGED OIL FILTER	)	
	INCORPORATING ADDITIVE-	)	
	RELEASING PARTICLES	)	

**RESPONSE TO AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action of January 6, 2004, wherein claims 1-10 and 13-16 were rejected. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and/or remarks.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account 06-1130 any fees necessary for entry of this amendment.

Please make the following amendments to the Application as set forth below.

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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b> Applicant(s): <b>Rohrbach et al.</b>	<b>Docket No.</b> <b>H0001202</b>
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<b>Serial No.</b> <b>09/867,973</b>	<b>Filing Date</b> <b>May 30, 2001</b>	<b>Examiner</b> <b>I. Cintins</b>	<b>Group Art Unit</b> <b>1723</b>
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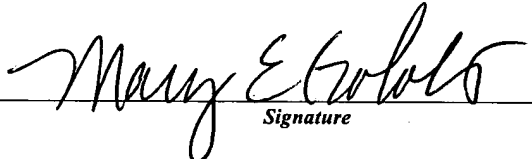
Invention:  
**STAGED OIL FILTER INCORPORATING ADDITIVE RELEASING PARTICLES**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

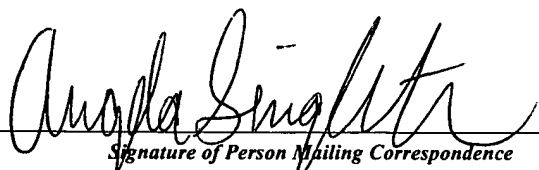
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE		ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -	20 =	0	x	\$18.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x	\$86.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>						\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00

☒ No additional fee is required for amendment.  
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☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.  
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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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April 2, 2004

**Via First Class Mail**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: United States Patent Application  
Inventor: Rohrbach et al.  
Entitled: STAGED OIL FILTER INCORPORATING ADDITIVE-  
RELEASING PARTICLES  
Serial No. 09/867,973  
Filed: May 30, 2001  
Attorney Docket No: H0001202

Sir:

We enclose herewith:

- ☒ Amendment Transmittal Letter
- ☒ Response to Office Action
- ☒ 2 Acknowledgment Postcards

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136 and other applicable rules to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely in the event a petition is required.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Golota  
Reg. No. 41,624

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